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Mr. and Mrs. Josef Faust  
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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Faust:

A short time ago Father Aloysius Ellacuria, CMF, a Los Angeles Claretian priest whom you have visited, asked me to process the obtaining of Masses to be said for your intentions in Fatima, Portugal. I was asked to help because of my close relationship to Father Aloysius both in the past and especially now as a representative of a new congregation founded by Father in Fatima, Portugal, upon all the tenets of the Fatima Messages.

In the Basillica in Fatima, upon the main altar, there are two statues. One is of Saint Dominic who initiated the devotion to the Holy Rosary. The other statue is of Saint Anthony Mary Claret who, over a hundred years ago, refined true devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The same Saint Anthony Mary Claret founded the congregation now known as "The Claretians," of which Father Aloysius is a member.

With the blessing of his Superior General, Father Aloysius along with a group of candidates set out in 1971 for Fatima, Portugal to begin a house of Perpetual Adoration of the Holy Eucharist as a memorial of the centennial of the death of Saint Anthony Claret who in the last nine years of his life had the privilege of holding intact within his body the Most Blessed Eucharist continuously from one Communion to another.

In the course of time the Superior General advised that this group be by itself and autonomous. In the meantime, dedicated laymen who saw the wisdom of Father Aloysius' pursuits moved prudently ahead obtaining the stature of a non-profit corporation in the State of California, with a Federal and State tax exempt status.

I have enclosed some of our past newsletters for your perusal which will account for much of this group's history.

You will notice that the name "Missionaries of Perpetual Adoration" does have much significance in today's world. Our full title is "Missionaries of Perpetual Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament and Perpetual Veneration of the Immaculate Heart of Mary." Our aims concern themselves with works of spiritual mercy beseeching the Redeeming Christ in the Holy Eucharist, both in the Body and Blood, to shower grace and mercy to those in need,

for the salvation of all people in their last agony and about to die today,

for the suffering souls in purgatory,

for the perseverance and greater sanctification of the just,

for conversion of sinners,

for the persecuted and imprisoned,

for those tempted or in any peril of body and soul,

for all those in any spiritual or temporal affliction,

and for all those sick, either physically or mentally.

At the present time we have an auxilliary group of laypersons who meet monthly in front of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for all the above aims.

Because of the connections which "The Missionaries of Perpetual Adoration" have in Spain and Portugal, Father Aloysius has asked me to process your request for masses in Fatima. We are forwarding your request for fifty masses for your physical and spiritual needs, especially for your loving wife, Rose.

Sincerely,

Alfred Maguire, Jr.  
President  
The Missionaries of  
Perpetual Adoration